77th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2013 Regular Session MEASURE: HB 3045 A CARRIER: Rep. Reardon

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee on Education

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

Vote: 9 - 0 - 0

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Meeting Dates: 3/20, 4/17

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires each district school board to establish a policy of reporting incidents that: 1) result in the injury of an employee of the district, and 2) are sustained while in the actual performance of the duty of the employee. Requires policy be aligned, to the extent practicable, with existing reporting requirements. Declares emergency; takes effect upon passage, but section 1 applies to incidents occurring on or after July 1, 2013.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Twenty-four hour reporting
- Concerns over safety
- Current reporting requirements

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces measure.

BACKGROUND: Reporting of school-based injuries is not consistent on a statewide basis. This makes it difficult for organizations such as Oregon Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) or worker's compensation carriers to have a clear picture of the challenges faced in Oregon schools. House Bill 3045-A alleviates this problem by requiring all districts to have a reporting policy for all injuries on school property and requiring annual reporting to the Oregon Department of Education. Having a central repository of information will enable a system-wide approach to finding solutions to a safer workplace for educators.